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Greetings,

You are receiving this notification because you are registered for Ecology's Puget Sound DO Listserv. I am forwarding this notice about the 2019 Healthy Watersheds Consortium RFP because many of you are involved in watershed water quality improvement projects and might be interested in this opportunity to get some great projects on the ground.

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Puget Sound Nutrient Source Reduction Project web page:

<https://ecology.wa.gov/Water-Shorelines/Puget-Sound/Helping-Puget-Sound/Reducing-Puget-Sound-nutrients>

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**From:** Mendelman, Krista

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**Subject:** FW: The 2019 Healthy Watersheds Consortium Request for Proposals is Posted!

Hi All,

The U.S. Endowment for Forestry and Communities, Inc (Endowment) has published the [2019 Request for Proposals for the Healthy Watersheds Consortium Grant Program](#). The Healthy Watersheds Consortium Grant Program is a partnership that includes the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Office of Water's Office of Wetlands, Oceans, and Watersheds, the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), and the Endowment. Up to \$1.2 million is available in 2019 for projects that accelerate strategic **protection of healthy, freshwater ecosystems and their watersheds** across the United States.

As in past years, the primary focus for applicants should be protection and stewardship of land in the watershed, rather than restoration of degraded habitats or projects with a strictly water quality improvement outcome. Proposals should focus on three categories:

- Developing funding mechanisms, plans, or other strategies to implement large-scale watershed protection, source water protection, green infrastructure, or related landscape conservation objectives;
- Building the sustainable organizational infrastructure, social support, and long-term funding commitments necessary to implement large-scale protection of healthy watersheds; and
- Supporting innovative or catalytic projects that may accelerate funding for or implementation of watershed protection efforts, or broadly advance this field of practice.

In 2019, priority will be given to proposals that maximize measurable outcomes for watershed protection (e.g., acres protected, progress toward protection goals, degree of watershed function protected, etc.).

Prospective applicants and other interested parties can learn more about the program and gain tips on navigating through the application by registering for **the Healthy**

Watershed Consortium Grant Program Information Session being held on  
Wednesday, October 24, at 2:00 pm. Eastern.

2019 Process Schedule

- RFP Issued
- Informational Webinar: Wednesday, October 24, 2018 (2:00 p.m. Eastern)
- **Proposal Deadline: February 4, 2019 (8 p.m. Eastern)**
- Applicants notified: Week of April 8

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